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Applicant: Robert LaFave, et al.

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Examiner: Ramsey Zacharia

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The patents, publications and other information submitted for consideration by the Office (except unpublished U.S. patent applications) are listed on Form 1449 or PTO/SB/08a and 08b attached hereto.

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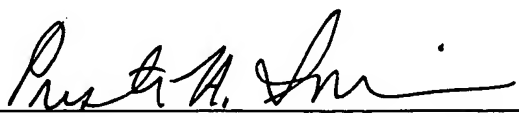
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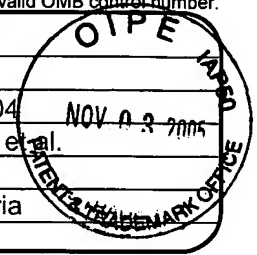
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		Correspondence from Robert LaFave, regarding Guardian (KJ test material), October 15, 2001.	
		Correspondence from G. Alan Sumrell to Jeff J. Bailey, regarding Thick Mask Experiment, October 19, 2001.	
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		Email Correspondence from John H. Cupstid to Jeff J. Bailey; C. Jerry Patton, regarding Rexam sample over TPO for current running board evaluation, January 22, 2002.	
		Email Correspondence from John H. Cupstid to polybond@gte.net; Jeff J. Bailey; C. Jerry Patton; Bill R. Steele, regarding GM370 film pricing, January 29, 2002.	
		Email Correspondence from C. Jerry Patton to Bill R. Steele; Jeff J. Bailey; John H. Cupstid, regarding GM370 materials, January 29, 2002.	
		Email Correspondence from John H. Cupstid to Jeff J. Bailey; C. Jerry Patton, regarding shipments to PolyBOND, March 4, 2002.	
		Email Correspondence from Jeff F. Bailey to Robert Lafave, J. Cupstid; J. Patton, regarding combo mask, April 19, 2002.	
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		Email Correspondence from John H. Cupstid to C. Jerry Patton; Jeff J. Bailey, regarding Combo Mask, October 8, 2002.	
		Correspondence from Bill Steele to Robert LaFave, regarding combo mask, March 31, 2003.	
		Email Correspondence from John H. Cupstid to Jeff J. Bailey; Randy Fields; C. Jerry Patton, regarding Android, January 4, 2001.	
		Correspondence from Chuck Bordeau of Spartech Plastics to Mike Shimanski of Rexam, regarding pricing on black TPO laminate, August 21, 1996.	
		Rexam Custom purchasing requisition, September 9, 1996.	
		Correspondence from Chuck Bordeau of Spartech Plastics to Mike Shimanski of Rexam, regarding price quotes for lamination, September 17, 1996.	
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		Sales slip to Mr. Howard Cox, September 17, 1997.	
		Thermoforming Project Timing for Corvette Front License Plate Cover, January 15, 1998.	
		Document regarding Extrusion Run #11 at Loose Plastics, of Beaverton, MI, June 17, 1998.	
		Document regarding dry paint films from Rexam, (date unknown).	
		Email correspondence from John H. Cupstid to Bill R. Steele, regarding Android, GM Research, GM Mid-Lux, etc, July 9, 1998.	
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		Copy of Business Card from Jerry E. Grybowski of Dow and Kenny Hepler of Triangle Plastics, (date unknown).	
		Meeting notes between Dow Chemical And Triangle Plastics and Rexam Decorative, Lancaster, SC, June 18, 1992.	
		Facsimile correspondence from John Blum to Tom Elliason; Mike Shimanski, regarding film testing, November 12, 1992.	
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		Inter-office memorandum from Tom Ellison of Rexam to Triangle Plastics File, regarding Teleconference with Kenny Helpler, April 14, 1993.	
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		Email correspondence from John H. Cupstid to Kathy Batdorf, et al, regarding Dorrie International, January 14, 1999.		
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		Email correspondence from Kathy Batdorf to John H. Cupstid; Bill R. Steele, regarding Textron, October 1, 1999.		
		Email correspondence from John H. Cupstid to sstarbuck@primexplastics.com, regarding thick ABS laminate, November 30, 1999.		
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Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
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Multiple dependent claims	360	180

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